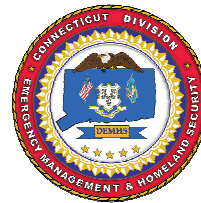




STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY



Posted at 9:30 AM on 6/27/13...

STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER - MONITORING

Heavy Rainfall and Potential Flooding Expected During the Next Several Days...

The National Weather Service has issued Flash Flood Watches for the entire state and most of New England beginning at noon today through Friday evening. At 9:00 AM radar showed a band of moderate to heavy showers moving to the East through New Haven County. A large area of moderate to heavy rainfall is currently moving from the Ohio Valley into Western PA. This area of rainfall is associated with a low pressure system that is forecast to move slowly to the east today and approach New England this evening.

For today...There is a chance of showers and a few thunderstorms at any time during the day. Most towns will not see rain all the time. Just showers from time to time.

Tonight...Steadier and heavier rain is forecast to move into the state from the West late this evening between 8:00 – 11:00 PM. Rain heavy at times is expected overnight with occasional thunder and lightning and the chance for a few brief wind gusts with some of the storms. Some urban and poor drainage flooding is likely if rainfall rates exceed 1" per hour however river flooding is not expected at this time.

Friday...Rain heavy at times in the morning with partial clearing during the afternoon. Depending on how much sunshine occurs during the afternoon, another round of showers and thunderstorms may develop by late Friday afternoon bringing the threat for some additional urban flooding in a few towns. Total rainfall for the next 36 hours is expected to range from 1 – 3" across the state with the possibility for a few locally higher amounts if any storms move over the same areas repeatedly.

For this weekend and into next week...The low pressure system that will impact our area during the next 36 hours is forecast to stall out in our area and remain in the Northeast through the weekend. A long trough of low pressure is forecast to develop along the east coast early next week with a continuous flow of moisture bringing on and off showers and thunderstorms during each afternoon into each night. Total rainfall during the weekend and into next week may total an additional 3 – 6". Any urban, river and stream flooding during this period will depend on where storms develop each afternoon and whether any lines of storms move repeatedly over the same towns.

The overall impact of the rainfall and flooding during the next week is expected to be minor to moderate. The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security will continue to monitor the latest conditions and will issue another update Friday morning at 10:00 AM or sooner if any flood warnings are issued by the National Weather Service.

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